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## BRIEFER ARTICLES.

*Erythræa Pringleana* Wittr. nov. spec.—Planta annua, subparva, 8–21 cm. alta, paullulum ramosa, glabra; foliis omnibus brevioribus quam internodiis; foliis infimis non rosulatis, ovatis apice acutato, brevissime pedunculatis, minimis, 2–3 mm. longis; foliis inferioribus lanceolatis, 3–6 mm. longis; foliis mediis et superioribus lineari-subulatis, 6–15 mm. longis; floribus longe pedunculatis, pedunculis plerumque longioribus quam floribus; sepalis eadem fere longitudine vel paullo longioribus quam tubo corollæ; hoc tertia fere parte brevior quam laciniis limbi; his 7–10 mm. (plerumque 8 mm.) longis, ovatis apice paullulum crenulato; corolla emarcida laciniis limbi contortis persistente, fructus includente; antheris staminum brevioribus quam filamentis; germine eadem fere longitudine vel paullulo longiore quam stylo stigmatique.

Mexico: in collibus prope Guadalajara 18, 588 legit cl. *C. G. Pringle*, (no. 2595).

Haud impossibile mihi videtur hanc speciem cum *Erythræa tenuifolia* Martens et Galeotti, anno 1844, ad exemplaria prope Guadalajara lecta, manco in modo descripta, identicam esse. Nomen specificum “tenuifolia” tamen secundum legem prioritatis non est retinendum, quia cl. *Grisebach* *Erythræam* alteram (e Hungaria et Gallia) jam anno 1839 sub hoc nomine descripsit.—VEIT WITTRÖCK, *Stockholmia* mense Januarii 1891.

[It may be well enough to state in this connection that what was distributed as “*Microcala* n. sp.” (no. 2598) is *Schultesia Mexicana* Watson, n. sp., soon to be published.—C. G. PRINGLE.]

**New species of Montana fungi** (with plate X).—The illustrations of two new species of Montana fungi described last month, p. 47, were received after the number was in press. At the authors' request they are now published with the accompanying

EXPLANATION OF PLATE X.—*Sporidesmium sorisporioides* Ellis & Anders. 8, fungus about natural size on dead wood of *Populus tremuloides*; 9, small mass of spores superimposed on the hyaline, semiamorphous mycelium, from the swelling up and internal division of the elongate ends of which the spore-masses are developed; 10, two mature spore-masses, *A* having become quite free from the mycelium.

*Accidium Liatridis* Ellis & Anders. 11, portion of leaf of *Liatris punctata* about natural size showing a patch of the fungus; 12, a small patch considerably magnified; 13, a perfect tube (cup) more highly magnified. At *A* is shown a cup that has gradually broken down to almost the surface of leaf; 14, four spores; 15, several cells of host